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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicants** 

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Application No.

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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING

INTRACELLULAR DISEASES

Examiner

Peter Paras, Jr.

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents:** 

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 16, 2000, applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a method of treating intracellular infections, for examination at this time. Applicants further elect A) virus, as species; a) HIV, as infectious agent; aa) alphavirus, as carrier of the vector construct; and aaa) nucleic acid expression vector.

In view of the above election, applicants hereby cancel claims 14-23 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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